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Honorable Hubert H. Humphrey
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Humphrey:

Thank you for your letter of 6 July 1956, referring
to a letter which I recently received from Mr. [redacted]

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As I indicated in my reply to [redacted] we greatly appreciated his thoughtful letter, which was of considerable interest to me and to other senior officials within this Agency.

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For reasons you will appreciate, I cannot disclose in this letter the nature of the operations being carried out by the Central Intelligence Agency, but you may have my assurance that we are fully aware of, and believe we are taking advantage of the implications of recent developments within the Soviet Union and the Satellites. I fully agree with you that these recent events are of the utmost significance.

I will be happy to discuss further with you the situation as we now see it, and the efforts which are being made in the fields of activity for which this Agency is responsible.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

CONCURRENCE

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20 July 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

SUBJECT: Attached Letters to Senators Humphrey
and Neuberger

STAFF

[redacted] has recommended that the Director's replies to letters from Senators Humphrey and Neuberger be worded in as general a manner as possible. The Humphrey letter raises some problems, because it requests specifics. The Director will note that the letter to Humphrey offers to discuss the matter further with him. I am inclined to think this offer is desirable, as it may provide an opportunity to educate the Senator on certain activities which this Government is carrying on and which he may not know about. On the other hand, we must recognize that he is one of the most outspoken critics of the present conduct of foreign policy, and it may be that further conversations at this stage of the political game might be inadvisable.

Norman S. Paul
Legislative Counsel

Attachments